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(a) In Caroline County the [pediatric-school] nurse practitioner, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER will be assigned, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, to[:

- (1) Greensboro Elementary School, Greensboro, Maryland 21639;
- (2) Ridgely Elementary School, Ridgely, Maryland 21660;
- (3) Federalsburg Elementary School, Federalsburg, Maryland 21632;
- (4) Preston Elementary School, Preston, Maryland 21655; and

(5) Denton Elementary School, Denton, Maryland 21629] ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS.

[(b) Services of this Program shall be available to all school children with priorities in the following areas:

- (1) In kindergartens;
- (2) In grades 1 through 3 to children who are identified as needing special education; and
- (3) In grades 1 through 3 to new students entering the Caroline County school system.]

[(c)] (B) The services provided by the [pediatric-school] nurse practitioner, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER shall, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, include:

(1) Assessment of the health status of all targeted students in the selected elementary AND MIDDLE schools including history, physical examination, neuro-developmental evaluation, and all required early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment programs;

(2) Provision of health care including well-child care and treatment of common injuries and illnesses; and

(3) Integration of health care with existing health care providers and health education programs directed at students, teachers, and parents.

[(d)] (C) The [pediatric-school] nurse practitioner, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER shall:

(1) Collaborate with board certified or board eligible pediatricians in the health management of the school children; [and]

(2) [Be responsible for revising and implementing a system for referral in accordance with the "referral and follow-up guidelines" in the Maryland State School Health Manual.